

**ESU 4 Title III Consortium Services  
Program Agreement  
2017-18**

**Consortium Goals:**

- Improve English Learners' language acquisition and achievement in all content areas.
- Improve student learning in all curricular areas by providing high-quality professional development opportunities for educators.

**District Responsibilities:**

- Comply with *Title III* program requirements pursuant to federal formula grant guidelines and the Office of Civil Rights. For a description of required and authorized activities, please visit the Nebraska Department of Education website:
  - Limited English (LEP) Guidelines: <https://www.education.ne.gov/NATLORIGIN/LimitedEnglish.html>
  - Immigrant Education (IE) Guidelines: [http://www.education.ne.gov/NATLORIGIN/Immigrant\\_Education.html](http://www.education.ne.gov/NATLORIGIN/Immigrant_Education.html)
  - NDE Federal Programs: <http://www.education.ne.gov/federalprograms/Index.html>
- Comply with Nebraska Rule 15: [https://www.education.ne.gov/NATLORIGIN/Rule\\_15.html](https://www.education.ne.gov/NATLORIGIN/Rule_15.html)
- Submit a copy (print or digital) of the current EL Program Review written report. (See Rule 15, Section 008.04)
- Request reimbursement or payment for services and expenses that supplement local EL programming according to Title III requirements. (Please note that these must often be approved on a case-by-case basis.) The form is available online at <http://esu4ell.wikispaces.com/>.

**ESU 4 Title III Consortium Services:**

- Regional Title III Consortium Director (Jen Madison) and Bookkeeper (Sue Knickman)  
Districts will receive the services of the ESU 4 personnel for services including submission of the grant's consolidated application, payment documentation, reimbursement of expenditures, professional development, resource coordination, and consultation.
- ELL Network  
This is a forum for district personnel responsible for ELL programs and instruction to discuss pertinent issues, study pedagogy, share and explore resources, and network with colleagues. Typically, this group meets three times per year. (Expenses such as substitute pay for certificated staff and mileage are reimbursable.)
- Professional Development  
Relevant research-based workshops and trainings will be made available to consortium districts. These may include local, regional, and national level opportunities that suit districts' needs. Substitute pay and other expenses are likely reimbursable if approved prior to the event. Stipends may be provided for off-contract participation.

- ELL Materials, Projects, and Resources

The consortium maintains a web presence that includes documentation of meetings, updates, resources, and other pertinent information at <http://esu4ell.wikispaces.com/>. In addition, the consortium has several print materials and technology tools available for member district personnel to use or borrow. We welcome specific requests for books, supplemental curriculum materials, or other media relevant to ELL learning and instruction.

Consortium districts may access Title III funds for purchase of various research-based materials, services, project needs, and resources to supplement local ELL programming according to Title III requirements. Please contact ESU 4 for guidance as necessary. **To request reimbursement or payment for Title III allowable expenses; please use the appropriate "Request for Funding" form at <http://esu4ell.wikispaces.com/>.**

*Consortium districts have access to Rosetta Stone Online and Imagine Learning Online. A limited number of licenses are available. Please contact Jen Madison for information.*

- Field Consultation and Services

We are happy to work with districts directly to customize services to meet specific needs.

***The district agrees to the program of services outlined above.***

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*District Administrator or ELL Representative*

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*Date*

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*District*

*Please retain a copy for your records and send this signature page via fax, email, or postal mail to ESU 4 to the attention of Sue or Jen. Thank you!*

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